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SUBJECT: MIG DEFECTOR TRAVEL PLANS

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1. BELENKO WILL DEPART TOKYO HANEDA AIRPORT ON
NORTHWEST 22 AT 1845. WILL ARRIVE LOS ANGELES 1710 SEPTEMBER 9.

2. SCENARIO FOR FINAL HOUR OF BELENKO STAY IN JAPAN HAS BEEN
WORKED OUT WITH GOJ AS FOLLOWS:

1620 MEETING WITH US REPRESENTATIVES AT SUIJO
POLICE STATION.

1645 MEETING WITH MINISTRY OF JUSTICE OFFICIALS
FOR FINAL IMMIGRATION PROCEDURES.

1755 MEETING WITH SOVIET REPRESENTATIVES.

1810 DEPART POLICE STATION FOR AIRPORT

1835 ARRIVE HANEDA AIRPORT

1845 DEPART JAPAN

3. FOREIGN OFFICE REPORTS THAT DEFECTOR'S RESOLVE
REMAINS FIRM. HE HAS AGREED TO MEET WITH SOVIET
REPRESENTATIVES BUT SAID HE WOULD MEET THEM FOR
"ONE MINUTE ONLY." HE IS PREPARED FOR POSSIBILITY
THAT SOVIETS MAY TRY TO HAND HIM LETTER FROM HIS
WIFE.

4. DOCUMENTATION FOR TRAVEL TO UNITED STATES IS
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5. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE SOONEST GUIDANCE ON WHAT WE CAN
SAY TO PRESS AFTER BELENKO HAS DEPARTED JAPAN.
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